

I add my support to RM-10782 for the removal of all code testing as a requirement for all Amateur Radio license classes. I believe that with the HIGH quality and reasonable cost of radio equipment today, and the removal of the international requirement for code testing, the only logical next step is for the FCC to drop the code requirement for all Amateur Radio license classes. This will allow a greater pool of experienced radio operators to ensure radio communications will be available in the event of a national emergency. With the unstable world we now live in, we in the Great United States cannot think we are above being attacked on our own land. 9/11 should be a wake-up call for all of us. We need to make sure we have a reliable communications back up system in place. Communications will be the first priority to get set up in a national emergency. Removing the code will allow a great many qualified emergency communicators to upgrade to General or Extra to make that pool of trained emergency communicators ready to step in if or when we have another emergency situation.

Thank you for considering my comment in support of RM-10782 for the removal of all code requirements for all Amateur Radio license classes.

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